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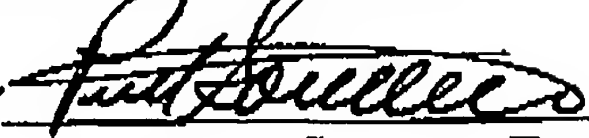
Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 11, 2005, which imposed a restriction requirement, Applicants elect, with traverse, to first prosecute the claims of Group I (i.e., claims 1-6) in this application.

The subject matter of claims 1-6 would appear to be classifiable in Class 385, Subclass 26, not subclass 36 as indicated in the recent Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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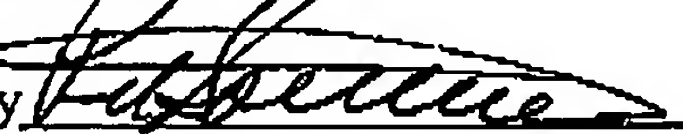
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